

**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR
DESIGN
PATENT APPLICATION
(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Application Number

60/395,594

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As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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Ground anchoring device for floral pots, baskets and containers.
(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto

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☒ was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY)

07-12-2002

as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number

60/395,594

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DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)

Title of Invention

Ground anchoring device for floral pots, baskets and containers.

As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

☐ The attached application, or☒ Application No. 60/395,594, filed on 7-12-02,☐ as amended on _____ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

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☐ Additional inventors or a legal representative are being named on _____ additional form(s) attached hereto.

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Kathryn G. Zesk

Signature of Applicant

Submitted and sworn to, or affirmed before me this 22nd day of APRIL, 2003

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